

**TOWN OF GLOVER, VERMONT
SELECT BOARD MEETING
GLOVER MUNICIPAL BUILDING
JULY 15, 2010**

Officers Present: Jason Choquette-Select Board Chair, Tara Nelson-Selectperson/Board Clerk, Bucky Shelton-Selectman, Harvey Dunbar-Road Foreman

Guests Present: Sue Gibeault, Adam Heuslein, Robert Tetreault, Sharon Tetreault, Don Gilman, Linda Gilman, Skip Borrell, Tim Stone, Nick Ecker-Racz, Becky Tenney, Mike Tenney, Robert Johnson, Phil Brooks, Sheriff Kirk Martin, Gary Leach, Richard Blanchard, Lorna Higgs, Janet Reed, Scott Stone, Sam Young, John Rodgers, Richard Powers

1. Jason called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.
2. Lorna Higgs represented NVDA in order to sign a Resolution to Designate a Public Agency for the Vermont Development Planning Grant in the amount of \$28,503. NVDA administers this grant, but the funds will be administered through the town office. The select board signed the Resolution to Designate a Public Agency form.
3. The select board is looking at possible law enforcement coverage in response to concerns from residents. Sheriff Kirk Martin and Phil Brooks discussed the Sheriff Department's law enforcement procedures. Town contracts vary from 3-24 hours per week of coverage. They do not respond to calls if the town does not contract with them. Sheriff Martin and Phil said that about 80% of the money generated from tickets would go to the town if the highway is adopted by the town. Route 2 in Danville is a good example of how this works, as well as Route 5A in Westmore and Route 100 in Troy. Phil said proper signage needs to be in place in order to enforce speed limits and other laws and ordinances. Richard Powers asked about coverage after midnight. Phil said their coverage ends at midnight and the State Police would need to respond after midnight. They can accommodate for specific issues and also conduct DUI controls. They cannot cover events with alcohol due to liability issues. The select board would like to utilize speed carts. Adam Heuslein asked if the speed carts still generate data, such as traffic count. Phil said they are getting old, so the data isn't very reliable. Linda Gilman would like them used on Shadow Lake Road if they are available.
4. Richard Blanchard, President of the Lake Parker Association, would like the speed limits on Parker Road and West Shore Road reduced from 35 mph to 25 mph. The select board would draft an ordinance and conduct public hearings on the issue. It is unclear if a traffic study needs to be done. The select board will consider this.
5. Richard Blanchard asked about the right of way on Access Lane. Each camp has a right of way in their deed that dates back to 1954 from Ruth Young. The State of Vermont also purchased a right of way for the fishing access. The town of Glover does not have a right of way on Access Lane. Janet Reed said the drainage was worked on; the select board is assuming the state will address the repair, culvert and drainage issues.

6. Tim Stone asked about maintenance of Leland Lane. In 2005 the town reclassified the road to a trail from Class 4. He currently owns three properties on the town trail. The water bars and ditches are not well maintained and the center is washed out. Tim said he left the 2005 meeting with a handshake agreement that the grader would come through once in a while. Nick Ecker-Racz said all trails are under the supervision of Glover Recreation, but the town can still work on them. Nick does remember saying the town would put water bars in. (Nick was on the select board in 2005.) The select board will look at the town road policy and trail.
7. John Rodgers said he thinks it is ridiculous to lower the speed limit from 35 mph to 25 mph on Parker Road for people who are trying to make a living. He said he won't go 25 mph no matter what. He asked how the people from New Jersey would like it if they had to drive 25 mph all the way up here. He is trying to get to and from work. Robert Tetreault asked John if he couldn't allow for a little extra time. John said the Sheriff's Department is a waste of money. They are going to make outlaws out of the people who are trying to get to work. He has a bad taste in his mouth about the Sheriff's Department ever since he got a raw deal on a speeding ticket. Tara asked him what he proposes the town do about law enforcement, as he is a lawmaker. John would like to see the State Police provide coverage, but they aren't timely. Tara said no contract has been signed with any law enforcement agency; the select board is simply looking at options as a result of concerns expressed from residents. Nick suggested replacing missing signs, adding signage (pedestrians, sharp corners, etc.) and possibly spot hiring the Sheriff's Department.
8. John said he is willing to help the town out with a crosswalk near the Riverside Apartments. The state has denied the select board's request for a crosswalk at least twice. Tara will have Donna forward a copy of the state's denial letter to John.
9. Adam Heuslein presented the select board with information on purchasing a speed cart for the town so the town can use it when needed. Becky Tenney, Town Constable, said she is willing to monitor it at night so it doesn't get vandalized; she also has no problem reminding people to slow down. Adam suggested asking the two lake associations to consider chipping in if the select board wanted to pursue this. Richard Powers said educating people to slow down and obey the laws works, but not for everyone. There will always be people who won't slow down.
10. Linda Gilman from the Shadow Lake Association thanked the select board for the "dead end" sign at the end of Stone Shore Road as well as the new beach sign. Harvey fixed the pot holes in the beach parking lot. Linda also appreciates Becky Tenney responding to the beach for dog issues. Linda asked if boats are allowed at the beach area. Nick Ecker-Racz told Linda to contact a state game warden as there are strict laws regarding this. Linda asked the select board to consider buoys at the beach for safety. Jason said Linda could call him to set up a time to clean the debris out of the outlet. The outlet gate needs to be dealt with as well. Harvey will look at the parking area near the fence at the beach, as it needs gravel. Linda asked Harvey to fix a pot hole on Shadow Lake Road, which he had already fixed. Linda also asked about an emergency call box, as there is no cell service near the beach. Adam said he could look into this. Don Gilman asked if Harvey could cut the bushes back near Stone Shore Road, as it is a hazard. Robert Tetreault mentioned the bushes at the intersection of Stone Shore Road and County Road. Linda would like a copy of the 1994 traffic study. Tara will see if Donna has it on file.

11. Nick mentioned that when the town sells municipal property, he doesn't think the select board needs to go through the bid process. The town does have a responsibility to get the best price possible for the property.

12. Gary Leach opened the bids for the Route 16 pump station generator. The bids are as follows:

Brookfield Service:	\$40,100
Ames Electric:	\$47,800
Gene's Electric:	\$36,500

Gary will review and get back to the select board at the next meeting. Pump Stations Inc. has a price of \$3,990 for a replacement controller. The select board approved this.

13. Gary said he spoke to Robert Johnson about his flood plain issue. Gary is going to make a few phone calls to try to help him out.

14. Gary has sent a letter to Tri-State Drilling regarding the pump on the new well. The State District 7 Engineer needs the serial number for the pump.

15. Gary gave Harvey the go-ahead to cover the man hole on Still Hill. The man holes that need fixing are not in the state's repaving project. At least five need fixing.

16. Robert Tetreault is asking the select board to consider throwing up the town trail that his father deeded to the town in the 1960s. Robert said he would still have the trail open to the public. Tara said there is a process to follow in order to do this, which involves notifying all land abutters and holding public meetings regarding the issue. Robert said he believes the only abutting property is the Hester Webster land, which is owned by the town.

17. Sue Gibeault asked if Still Hill was in good shape for the Glover Day bike race. Bucky said he worked on it and it is fine now.

18. Becky Tenney said she now has two owners who have not licensed their dogs. She will send certified letters to these owners. Adam suggested increasing the late fee.

19. Adam suggested the select board consider attending the state police advisory board meetings. He also suggested looking at Westmore and Woodbury Lake areas for signage and speed limit options.

20. Becky clarified her status for the board. She is not part time certified, and she will research the cost of the courses required to become part time certified. Becky can issue tickets to town ordinance violations. Adam suggested calling VLCT regarding possible funding for constable training, as well as liability.

21. Harvey said the state will pay for the intersection realignment at the bottom of Bailey Lane. Harvey will submit a letter to the state regarding this.

22. Harvey will work on Leland Lane to make it passable.

23. Jason said the roadside mowing should start by the end of July.
24. Harvey said Allen Mathews, Glover Fire Chief, asked him if the town excavator could be used after a fire if needed. This is fine as long as the excavator isn't being used during the fire.
25. Harvey said the road crew is almost done on the Perron Hill project.
26. Robert Johnson came back to the meeting after leaving earlier to thank the select board for their service. He said there was no way he could sit there and do the job. Scott Stone also thanked the select board when he left earlier in the meeting.
27. The select board approved Adam's request to paint the outside of the ambulance building.
28. Orders were signed.
29. Minutes were approved.
30. Jason made a motion to adjourn at 10:10 p.m.

The next select board meeting has been changed from August 5, 2010 to Monday, July 26, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Nelson, Board Clerk

Jason Choquette, Select Board Chair

Tara Nelson, Selectperson

Bucky Shelton, Selectman